

THE FUTURE OF BIOMEDICINE: TRANSLATING BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH INTO PERSONALIZED HEALTH CARE

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing entitled “The Future of Biomedicine: Translating Biomedical Research into Personalized Health Care”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

DIGITAL ASSETS AND THE FUTURE OF FINANCE: UNDERSTANDING THE CHALLENGES AND BENEFITS OF FINANCIAL INNOVATION IN THE UNITED STATES

Committee on Financial Services: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Digital Assets and the Future of Finance: Understanding the Challenges and Benefits of Financial Innovation in the United States”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

BIOSECURITY FOR THE FUTURE: STRENGTHENING DETERRENCE AND DETECTION

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Asia, the Pacific, Central Asia, and Nonproliferation held a hearing entitled “Biosecurity for the Future: Strengthening Deterrence and Detection”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 3359, the “Homicide Victims’ Families’ Rights Act of 2021”; H.R. 4977, the “Better Cybercrime Metrics Act”; H.R. 55, the “Emmett Till Antilynching Act”; H.R. 5338, the “Radiation Exposure Compensation Act Amendments of 2021”; and H.R. 5796, the “Patents for Humanity Act of 2021”. H.R. 3359, H.R. 4977, H.R. 55, H.R. 5338, and H.R. 5796 were ordered reported, as amended.

FORFEITING OUR RIGHTS: THE URGENT NEED FOR CIVIL ASSET FORFEITURE REFORM

Committee on Oversight and Reform: Subcommittee on Civil Rights and Civil Liberties held a hearing entitled “Forfeiting our Rights: The Urgent Need for Civil Asset Forfeiture Reform”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

PROMOTING ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE IN THE REVITALIZATION AND REUSE OF CONTAMINATED PROPERTIES

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment held a hearing entitled “Promoting Economic and

Community Redevelopment and Environmental Justice in the Revitalization and Reuse of Contaminated Properties”. Testimony was heard from Lucy Vinis, Mayor, Eugene, Oregon; and public witnesses.

REMOVING BARRIERS TO VETERAN HOME OWNERSHIP

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs: Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity held a hearing entitled “Removing Barriers to Veteran Home Ownership”. Testimony was heard from John Bell, Acting Executive Director, Loan Guaranty Service, Department of Veterans Affairs; and public witnesses.

THE PANDORA PAPERS AND HIDDEN WEALTH

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Oversight held a hearing entitled “The Pandora Papers and Hidden Wealth”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

BUSINESS MEETING

Select Committee on the Modernization of Congress: Full Committee held a business meeting on the Committee Report on 25 proposed recommendations. The Committee Report on 25 proposed recommendations was adopted.

GROWING OUR ECONOMY BY INVESTING IN FAMILIES: HOW SUPPORTING FAMILY CAREGIVING EXPANDS ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY AND BENEFITS ALL AMERICANS

Select Committee on Economic Disparity and Fairness in Growth: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Growing our Economy by Investing in Families: How Supporting Family Caregiving Expands Economic Opportunity and Benefits All Americans”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2021

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: business meeting to consider the nominations of Chavonda J. Jacobs-Young, of Georgia, to be Under Secretary for Research, Education, and Economics, and Margo Schlanger, of Michigan, to be an Assistant Secretary, both of the Department of Agriculture, Time to be announced, S-216, Capitol.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Communications, Media, and Broadband, to hold hearings to examine disrupting dangerous algorithms, focusing on addressing the harms of persuasive technology, 10:45 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: to hold hearings to examine Federal efforts to address PFAS contamination, 10:15 a.m., SD-342/VTC.

Committee on the Judiciary: business meeting to consider S. 2614, to provide for the modernization of electronic case management systems, and the nominations of Bridget Meehan Brennan, Charles Esque Fleming, and David Augustin Ruiz, each to be a United States District Judge for the Northern District of Ohio, John H. Chun, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Washington, and Dawn N. Ison, to be United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Michigan, Department of Justice, 9 a.m., SD-106.

House

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Consumer Protection and Commerce, hearing entitled “Holding Big Tech Accountable: Legislation to Build a Safer Internet”, 11:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn and Webex.

Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Diversity and Inclusion, hearing entitled “A Review of Diversity and Inclusion Performance in America’s Large Investment Firms”, 11 a.m., 2128 Rayburn and Webex.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, Subcommittee on the Middle East, North Africa, and Global Counterterrorism, hearing entitled “What’s Next for Libya? The Path to Peace”, 10 a.m., Webex.

Full Committee, markup on H. Con. Res. 59, condemning the October 25, 2021, military coup in Sudan and standing with the people of Sudan; H.R. 6140, the “Sudan Democracy Act”; H.R. 5665, the “Combating International Islamophobia Act”; H.R. 6089, the “Stop Iranian Drones Act”; and H.R. 3988, the “Mental Health in International Development and Humanitarian Settings Act”, H. Res. 376, condemning Turkey for its occupation of Cyprus and encouraging President Biden to make the resolution of the Cyprus problem a top foreign policy priority; H. Res. 831, calling on the United States Government to uphold the founding democratic principles of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization and establish a Center for Democratic Resilience within the headquarters of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, 1 p.m., 2172 Rayburn and Webex.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials, hearing entitled “Leveraging IIJA: Plans for Expanding Intercity Passenger Rail”, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn and Zoom.

Select Committee on the Climate Crisis, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Cleaner, Cheaper Energy: Climate Investments to Help Families and Businesses”, 1:30 p.m., 210 Cannon and Zoom.